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1. DURING PAST WEEK SOUTH AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS HAVE GIVEN SOME PROMINENCE TO VIEIT TO THIS COUNTRY BY GBOLABO OGUNSANWO, EDITOR OF NIGERIAN SUNDAY TIMES. ON FEBRUARY 27, OGUNSANWO HAD THIRTY-MINUTE INTERVIEW WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER, WHOM HE CHARACTERIZED AS 'A VERY TOUGH MAN'. HE SAID MEETING HAD BEEN FRANK, PERHAPS BLUNT AT TIMES, AND THAT THEY HAD NOT SEEN EYE-TO-EYE ON A NUMBER OF SUBJECTS. VORSTER EXPRESSED REGRET REGARDING FMG DECISION TO REFUSE

GRANT VISAS TO SOUTH AFRICAN EDITORS TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL

PRESS INSTITUTE CONFERENCE IN LAGOS. ACCORDING TO PRESS, OGUNSANWO WAS REFUSED PERMISSION TO SEE NELSON MANDELA, FORMER AFRICAN NATIONALIST LEADER IMPRISONED ON ROBBEN ISLAND.

2. PRESS CLIPPINGS TO DEPARTMENT AND LAGOS BY POUCH.

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